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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARKS OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10 / 614,017 Confirmation no.: 9509
Applicant : Kinzel
Title : Retaining Clips
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Examiner : James R. Brittain

Docket no. : 152.5
Customer no : 26,109

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE / AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2004, a reply to which was originally due by August 19, 2004. This response is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a two month extension such that the response may be timely filed by October 19, 2004. Funds for two extra independent claims in excess of three are also being submitted.

Please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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